

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION

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MICHAEL T. MASON  
MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

MHDE ASKAR

No.

**08CR**

**0036**

Magistrate Judge Mason

**EX PARTE MOTION TO SEAL COMPLAINT AND AFFIDAVIT**

The UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by its attorney, PATRICK J. FITZGERALD, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, hereby moves this Court to seal the Criminal Complaint and Affidavit and this motion to seal and proposed order for 90 days, through and including April 16, 2008, or until further order of the Court. As grounds for the motion, the government states that disclosure of these materials could seriously jeopardize an ongoing criminal investigation and may prevent each defendant from cooperating if either defendant chooses to cooperate with law enforcement authorities. The government requests that law enforcement agents be allowed to enter the arrest warrant into law enforcement data bases while the warrant remains under seal.

Respectfully submitted,

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